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The media cycle

I am very very sure that during this world-wide pandemic, you have exhausted most of your time on receiving a huge amount of information. Now, the source of this information is limitless. From news channels on television to Twitter and Facebook on your mobile phone. However, today I am not going to talk about the regular news' echoing in your ears since the beginning of this year. Instead, I am going to focus on important topics that people have left behind. Today I am going to tell the story of "The media cycle". This article is in two parts, *Government* and *Being Neutral*. This article only consists the first part - Government.

Government

Last night I turned my television on, hoping to listen to some important news and debates. What I saw instead was the *Sushant Singh Rajput* case turning from an investigation case to a drug mafia! Shocked by this, I turned my television off and saw thought for a while about what are the biggest problems in the country right now. Is it the *Sushant Singh Rajput* case? Or to boycott Chinese goods? Or arrest of *Rhea Chakraborty*? Well, the answer is simple and straight “NO”. The biggest questions are the following:

1. How did India lose its financial status under a short period?
2. How can we win against China instead of a boycott?
3. Is the stock market growing?
4. How did the GDP crash?
5. Unemployment?
6. COVID-19?

These are the most considerable obstacles our country is facing right now. But, it seems that very few people are addressing about it right now. The problem is not with the public or the people. The problem is that the news we listen to is altering our way we think. Just wonder, why isn’t any news channel not talking about these six issues? Well, here we answer them!

Behind any incidence in a country, there is a significant role of media. This is because the media is responsible for mass communication and presenting the latest news to the people. Now, this news may be handled or changed for personal benefits. The constitution states that the media will always be an independent institution. No political influences should affect them. But the truth sneaks behind the curtains. The media is now not reprimanding the government. Media firms and newspapers are feared of criticising the state because the state may take action on them or censorship may take place. In a democratic country - like India - open critics is very essential as they help the government improve to a huge extent. Despite all this, the story doesn’t end here. Let’s consider a situation when a media company criticises the state and the state stops them to show such news to the public. The media visits the supreme court. Now you might think that the supreme court had come to rescue and everything will be fine. But there is a catch! We all know that the judges of the supreme court are indirectly influenced by the government. So, the judges are now prone towards the government and a fair judgment would become debatable. The cycle continues and no one speaks in opposition to the government.

This produces a huge aftermath on the thinking of the public. The public has never tuned in to any criticism and would vote for the same political party again and the loop continues.

So, this was my philosophy of the problems vis-à-vis India!

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